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Matzen

- During the first week of March 1950 the SMV pumped an average of 1,400 tons of crude oil per twenty-four hour period from the eight wells now in production at Matzen.

Aderklaa

- The SMV recently incorporated the Aderklaa oil field in the Matzen complex. For a short period during the first part of March 1950 Aderklaa well No. 1 produced a total of 160 tons of crude oil per twenty-four hour period.*(1) Oil from this well contains about 60 percent gasoline and consequently on several occasions SMV employees have merely filtered it before using it to fuel Diesel trucks. The SMV is now drilling and hopes to obtain high-grade oil from two new wells Aderklaa No. 2 and No. 3, which are in the immediate vicinity of Aderklaa No. 1.

ITAG

- SMV Headquarters has directed ITAG officials to transfer about one-half of the equipment now installed at ITAG fields to Matzen and Aderklaa by September 1950. In compliance with this order, ITAG has already delivered two large corrugated iron sheds to Matzen and is now preparing to transfer 12,500 meters of 2.5 inch tubing, 3,500 meters of three-inch pipe, 6,000 meters of four-inch pipe, two Trauzl oil pumps and 12 oil well derricks equipped with pumps.
- Ostensibly, the SMV will credit the value of this equipment to ITAG's account at the Soviet Military Bank and reduce the amortization value of ITAG property accordingly, but in reality the Soviets will deduct this amount from ITAG's 2,000,000 schilling deficit at the Bank. It is believed that ITAG has accumulated this deficit because the SMV has consistently charged ITAG the difference between 110 schillings which it pays ITAG for one metric ton of crude oil and a sum of 270 schillings which the Soviets claim to be the actual cost of obtaining one ton of crude oil from ITAG wells.*(2)

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Amount of Crude Oil Pumped from SMV Fields during February 1950

5. It should be noted that source omitted production figures for E.P.G., Roehel A.C., and the Van Sickle Oil Company fields allegedly because these fields produced slightly less than the amount prescribed by the SMV-established production norm.

<u>SMV Field</u>	<u>Number of Tons of Crude Oil Delivered</u>
Muehlberg	42,400
Matzen	33,000
ITAG	3,845
DEA/I	9,440
DEA/II	7,560

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* [] Comment: Since source alleges the SMV has only one well now in production at Aderklaa, this well is undoubtedly identical with Aderklaa Well No. 9. []

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